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WRONGED HUSBAND'S RAGE.

He Kills His Wife Upon Finding Her Sitting in Another Man's Lap.

PREFERRED DEATH TO POOR HEALTH.

Motion Made to Appoint a Receiver in the Suit Against the Trustees of the Sugar Trust.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Oct. 21.—W. K. Peterson, an employe of the Illinois Central railroad, shot and killed his wife at 10 o'clock Sunday night. Peterson returned home unexpectedly and found his wife sitting on S. W. Maxwell's lap, with her arms about his neck. The husband drew his revolver and fired twice at Maxwell, who threw the woman in front of himself and she received both bullets. The woman died in fifteen minutes. Maxwell was a lodger in Peterson's house. Peterson was arrested and lodged in jail.

A Heroic Deed.

ERIE, Pa., Oct. 20.—A horrible catastrophe was averted on the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern railroad yesterday near Silver Creek, N. Y., through the bravery and cool-headed conduct of an engineer. A detached section of a south bound freight train had been run into by another section of freight and a portion of the debris was thrown over on the west bound track. Just as No. 5, fast train, was going west, Engineer John Burns of Buffalo, of the passenger train, was coming down hill at a rate of fifty miles an hour. He saw the truck ahead and then the freight car. He made an attempt to stop his train, but to jump would sacrifice the lives of his 150 passengers. His fireman had left him. In the flash of a second Engineer Burns resolved to stand by his post, and springing from his seat behind the boiler, put on every pound of steam and opened his sand box in order to get a firmer hold of the rail. The engine sprang forward through the truck and cut through the freight car and other debris. Burns, with wonderful fortitude, held the lever, and in a momement he had cleared the obstruction, reversed his engine and threw on the air brake. The train entered the wreck and the sides were torn off of three coaches. The screams of women rose high above the screeching of the steam. Although the engine was dismantled, brave Burns emerged from the debris alive, but covered with scars and bruises. Stout-hearted men embraced the brave engineer hysterically, realizing that his heroism had saved the train.

Stormy Weather.

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—Never before in the memory of the oldest mariner along the river front have the East and North rivers been so dangerous and boisterous. At 9 o'clock yesterday morning when the tide was about at its height the river at the Battery and bay as far as the eye could see was as fierce and choppy as any stormy sea ever witnessed along the coast. At Patterson, Scott Nixer, a brakeman on the Lackawanna railroad, while on the roof of a freight car passing down a spur near Getty avenue, about 9 o'clock, was blown off by the wind. He fell along the track and his leg was broken in several places. The gale on the bay, aided by a strong ebb, caused a collision off the Battery between the big tug James A. Garfield and the freight boat Barstow. The Garfield went like a shot to the bottom. John Steel, head carpenter, and John Lyons, a fireman on the Garfield, were drowned, while seven other men on the tug were rescued by the Barstow's crew and the crew of the tug Vulcan, which responded to the Barstow's whistle for assistance.

A Desperate Fight.

LIMA, O., Oct. 18.—Later particulars from the fight between the safe burglars and citizens at Ohio City, near here, state that Wm. Place and Charles Hoover were seriously wounded by shots from the burglars. Two others of the citizens' party were slightly wounded. The fire was returned and one of the burglars fell dead. He has not been identified. While the shooting was going on he men at the safe blew it up and secured the contents. They then mounted their horses and fled. It is thought that the gang of safe-crackers was led by Manuel Nunn, a notorious desperado of that locality. There is great excitement about town.

Motion to Appoint a Receiver.

NEW YORK, Oct. 21.—A motion was made before Judge Pratt in Brooklyn yesterday on behalf of J. H. Geason, certificate holder, to have a receiver appointed in the original suit against the trustees of the sugar trust. The motion was also made on behalf of Duncan Cameron against Havemayer and other trustees to have judgment rendered in the original suit. Elihu Root objected because an undertaking in the usual sum of $250 had only been given, which he said was ridiculous when the enormous interests involved were considered. Arguments having been heard Judge Pratt reserved his decision.

Giant Powder Explosion.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Oct. 16.—A terrible explosion occurred at Ivanhoe, near here, yesterday. A large force of men was at work on the Midland tunnel, and shortly after they went to work one of the men brought in a box of giant powder, from which a man took out a stick to thaw it. It became overheated, exploded, and the concussion exploded seventy-five pounds of the deadly stuff. William Hines and John Hemphill were instantly killed and eight others wounded. John Pinnacle was seriously wounded. The men killed were literally blown to pieces.

Dollars for Grief.

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—Senor R. D. Bengochea, husband of the youngest daughter of the late Gen. Jose Maria Barrundia, arrived this city Wednesday. He comes here to make a demand for $100,000 from the United States government for the killing of his father-in-law. He claims that the government is responsible because United States Minister Mizener induced the captain of the Pacific mail steamer to turn over Gen. Burrundia to the Guatemalan troops and thus caused him to be murdered.

A Bloody Duel.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Oct. 15.—At Lexington, about fifty miles from Charlotte, one of the bloodiest duels ever fought on North Carolina soil has taken place. For a long while John McCrary has been watching Oscar Barringer, who seemed to pay McCrary's wife more attention than the latter thought was right. On several occasions McCrary has forbidden his wife to accompany Barringer to any places of amusement, saying that he was suspicious of an intimacy between the two. Several days McCrary came home and found Barringer seated in the parlor in deep conversation with his wife. McCrary concluded that now was the most opportune for him to forever cut the friendship that had developed into love. McCrary ordered Barringer out of his house and told him if he ever caught him in conversation with his wife again that one or the other would forfeit his life. For a while this warning was heeded by Barringer, and the community thought the matter had been smoothed over. Barringer could not suppress the desire to see Mrs. McCrary, and he wrote to her a long note asking permission to see her at the earliest possible moment. The note of Barringer never reached Mrs. McCrary, but fell into her husband's hands. Instead of a reply from the woman he received a challenge for a duel, which was to take place at a suitable spot near Lexington. In McCrary's note he gave Barringer preference of either leaving the state or confronting him in a duel. The challenge was promptly accepted by Barringer, and on Saturday evening about 5 o'clock they retired to the selected place to settle their affairs. Both men were armed with pistols and as soon as the seconds declared everything in readiness they both began firing. After both had emptied their pistols Barringer fell on the ground dead. McCrary had aimed well and had sent three bullets into the body of his victim. McCrary has fled from Lexington and his whereabouts is still unknown. McCrary's wife wept bitterly over the dead body of Barringer.

Foul Play is Suspected.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Oct. 16.—There are no new developments in the case of Hon. Wm. Briggs, sheriff of Howard county, who mysteriously disappeared some ten days ago. He was last seen alive in this town. He had at the time in his possession between $6000 and $7000 belonging to the county, which he expected to turn over to the state. His friends here began a thorough search yesterday, but, although well acquainted with the citizens, no clew was found. The belief is gaining ground that he has been robbed and murdered and the body concealed, but this is only a theory. A friend of Sheriff Briggs stated that the theory of his having run away is absurd, inasmuch as he is worth $40,000, owes no debts and has a wife and family to whom he is devotedly attached.

Original Package Saloons.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 20.—Dispatches from all the large cities and many towns of Kansas state that during the day many original package saloons have been opened and are doing a thriving business as a result of the decision last week by Judges Phelps and Foster of the United States circuit court declaring the Wilson law inoperative so far as it affects the sale of original packages in the state of Kansas. The only means to prevent the sale of intoxicants in this manner is the passage of a new or the re-enactment of the old prohibitory law. Several mass meetings were held throughout the state at which the governor was petitioned to call an extra session of the legislature at the earliest practicable time in order to re-enact the law.

He Preferred Death.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—Mr. A. L. Mullett, one of the well known architects of the city, and for many years supervising architect of the treasury department, shot himself yesterday evening at his residence. He had been in poor health for a long time, suffering from rheumatism and other complaints, but it is thought that financial trouble was the chief cause of Mr. Mullet's act. This evening he was feeling poorly and his wife went down stairs to get him some beef tea. She hardly reached the foot of the stairs when she heard a pistol shot, and rushing back found her husband gasping for breath, with blood oozing from a wound in his head. A doctor was immediately summoned, but Mr. Mullett died in a few moments.

No Cards Allowed.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 15.—When the circuit court convened in criminal session Tuesday at Lexington Judge John F. Ryland, in making his charge to the grand jury, ordered them especially to investigate reports that games of cards known as progressive euchre and high five were indulged in at private residences. He ordered the grand jury to return indictments against all card players, no matter how high in social position they might be. He also told them not to discriminate in regard to sex, and declared that he wanted the breaking of the law stopped.

Hanged for Murder.

MORRIS, Ill., Oct. 18.—James Maxwell was hanged at 11:47 Wednesday morning for the murder of Chas. Decken in June last. He was game to the last and died apparently the most unconcerned man in town. Last night when the sheriff showed some evidences of trepidation at the task before him Maxwell said: "Brace up, old man; you are much more troubled than I am." He slept well and ate breakfast with a relish.

THE MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Oct. 21.	
COTTON—Middling	10¼
WHEAT—No. 2 red	1 08¾
CORN—No. 2	60
ST. LOUIS.	
COTTON—Middling	9¾
WHEAT—No. 2 red	1 00
CORN—No. 2	49¾
CHICAGO.	
CATTLE—Shipping	2 20
HOGS—Good to choice	3 50
SHEEP—Good to choice	3 85
WHEAT—No. 2	1 02¾
CORN—No. 2	52¾
PORK—New mess	10 80
BACON—Clear rib	5 90
LARD—Prime steam	6 40
KANSAS CITY.	
CATTLE—Shipping steers	4 75
HOGS—Selects	4 10
WHEAT—No. 2	94
CORN—No. 2	50¾
NEW ORLEANS.	
COTTON—Middling	9 13-16
GALVESTON.	
COTTON—Middling	9 13-16
DALLAS.	
Cattle—Common to fair steers	1 50
Hogs—Choice	4 30
Sheep—Choice	4 00

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Corsicana has started a soap factory.

A splendid apple crop is reported from Grayson county.

The Bosqueville new Baptist church is nearly completed.

Wills Point has let a contract for an $8000 school building.

Montague county is receiving a large number of immigrants.

Prospectors and homeseekers continue to visit Rusnell county.

The Georgetown knitting mill has closed down for lack of hands.

Constable Carmichael of Muldoon died recently of heart disease.

A broom factory will be in operation at Henrietta by December 1.

A very fine stone church has recently been completed at Ballinger.

The First Baptist church of Salisbury, Hall county, has been organized.

A new gin has just been completed at Townsen Mills, Lampasas county.

Bell county farmers are asking 50 cents a bushel for their corn in the field.

A splendid free school building has recently been completed at Nechesville.

The yields and crop prospects in Matagorda county are reported to be excellent.

The cotton of Bosque county is yielding fully 25 per cent more than was estimated at first.

A difficulty at Comanche resulted in the killing of Rufus G. Bryant by J. M. Zackary.

Plans are being matured for the erection of another brick business block at Arlington.

Elijah Fortson and Jon Miller engaged in a cutting affray at Bethany and Miller was killed.

The Cumberland Presbyterians have commenced the erection of a fine church at Comanche.

The citizens of Georgetown have under consideration a proposition to build a street railway.

A fine church and school building is soon to be erected at North Lubbock, Crosby county.

Floyd city is to have a handsome and commodious hotel. The building will be erected at once.

The citizens of Gainesville have met and organized a board of trade composed of 100 members.

The cotton crop of Smith county has been badly injured in some sections by recent heavy rains.

It is said that of the 500 pupils attending the Vernon schools not one of them was born in that town.

A new Baptist church is being erected near Stanley school house at Townsen Mills, Lampasas county.

J. T. Rhea, a prominent business man of Forney, recently had his leg crushed by a horse falling on him.

Cotton pickers are in great demand in Clay county. Some farmers are offering $1 per hundred for picking.

William Morse, a prominent citizen of Wilcox, has been stricken by paralysis and is not expected to live.

The cordage factory well at Galveston has been finished at a depth of 1241 feet, and flows a six-inch stream.

The citizens of Whitesboro have held a mass meeting for the purpose of sinking an artesian well at that place.

A big oat crop will be planted this season in the vicinity of Garland in order to make up for the deficiency in corn.

The new federal building at Texarkana will stand in two states, one-half being in Arkansas and the other in Texas.

Arrangements are being perfected which will at once give Quanah an ice plant, electric lights and water works.

A society has been organized at Eagle Pass for the purpose of raising money to build a Methodist church at that place.

The Corpus Christi National bank has commenced business. It is the first national bank ever organized in that city.

One hundred immigrants recently arrived at Ballinger. They expect to purchase homes there and send for their families.

Cotton in Eastland county has been injured some by recent rains, but farmers have taken advantage of it to sow their wheat.

Rev. W. R. Richardson, dean of St. Mark's cathedral of San Antonio, recently met with serious injury in a runaway accident.

It is reported that the cotton crop of Cook county is fully twice as large as it was first thought to be by the majority of farmers.

The large and commodious boarding hall which is being built in connection with the school at Kilgore is nearing completion.

Cotton in sections of Fannin county will make double the first estimate. Late rains have greatly retarded the gathering of the crop.

A movement is on foot in Galveston to erect an eight-story building, which is to be followed by a ten-story brick by New York capital.

Corn in Grear county this year returns from ten to forty bushels. Potatoes are very fine and some cotton will make 800 pounds per acre.

Brick buildings to the value of $150,000 are in course of construction on the public square in Comanche, and all are rented one year in advance.

Building No. 2 of the normal college at Alvin has been completed, and the art and music departments are now ready for the reception of pupils.

The contract for a complete system of waterworks at Hallettsville has been let for $15,465. The works are to be completed by April 1, 1890.

Most all the farmers in Lampasas county are agreeable surprised in their cotton crop, as it is producing so much more than was expected of it.

The colored people of Oakland, Colorado county, are making preparation to erect a Methodist church. The material is already on the ground.

Three unknown men recently attempted to wreck a passenger train on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railway, about three miles south of Alba.

The pecan crop tributary to Lampasas is reported to be exceedingly good this year, and will prove a source of considerable revenue to that city.

The Sherman city council has passed an ordinance to buy the city hall bonds of 1884, and issued $30,000 street, road and bridge improvement bonds.

The business men of Clarksville, Red River county, are busy organizing a board of trade, which is expected to infuse new life into the town and secure needed improvements, like an artesian well, ice factory and better railroad facilities.

Beaumont is being brought into prominence just now by the assurance of an electric street railway, a new $100,000 bank, and a railroad to Bolivar Point.

It is reported from Waco that the oil struck in the Prather well recently is an excellent quality of oil, though the quantity is insufficient to make it a paying find.

A site has been purchased for the Alexander institute in Henderson, Rusk county, and the building will soon be erected and the school opened by Jan 1.

A stock company of local capitalists has been organized at Whitesboro, and will begin at once the construction of a street railway on the principal street of the city.

The cotton crop of Hunt county is turning out far better than was thought a month ago. It will be fully an average crop, according to the reports of the farmers.

Work has recently been commenced at Tyler on her big ice factory that is to supply all east Texas next season. This is to be one of the largest plants in the south.

There is a probability of a national bank at Thorpe Springs. It is said that enough local and outside capital can easily be interested to put the enterprise on foot.

A bed of solid iron, which measures forty feet through, can be shown in Young county, and it is immediately surrounded by inexhaustible beds of splendid coal.

Bids are advertised for the erection of a bridge over Mineral creek, near Whitesboro, Grayson county. The bridge will be a seventy-four-foot span with twenty-four-foot piers.

From all points comes the report that the peach crop of the present season is the heaviest for many years. It means big shipments of this splendid fruit from Texas the world over.

The Higgins Manufacturing company of Beaumont, with a capital of $50,000, has been chartered and will immediately procure machinery and commence the manufacture of brick.

John Bruce had his hand terribly mutilated in a gin at Madisonville recently. This is said to be the fourth unfortunate that has been carved up in the same gin within the past three years.

The safe of Vaughan & Estes, merchants of Jonesville, was recently blown open and rifled of its contents, amounting in all to $4000 or $500 0 in notes, papers, etc., and about $500 in money.

The county vault which is now being put in the courthouse at Henderson will be when completed one of the largest in the state. It will be sixteen feet square and will cost the county $5000.

News comes from El Paso that two of the employes of Robinson's circus were arrested and jailed in Juarez, Mexico, on suspicion of being in a plot to release some of the American prisoners.

Cotton in Milam county has been damaged somewhat by late rains. The under bolls are rotting and the yield will not be so heavy as was expected. Corn is plentiful and peas and potatoes are good.

The proposition made by the Massachusetts capitalists during their visit to Waco last spring has been accepted by the raising of $100,000 in stock by Waco men and the new cotton mill is now an assured fact.

The business of Palestine has increased so that the city is entitled to free postal delivery. The city authorities will take steps to comply with the conditions by naming the streets and numbering the buildings.

A large school building is in course of erection at Santo and is to be known as the Santo seminary. Its seating capacity will be between 200 and 300 pupils, and it will be one of the best organized schools in the country.

The Galveston, Harris and Brazoria County Immigration Bureau, which represents 80,000 acres of land, recently held a meeting and decided to levy a tax of 3 cents per acre for the purpose of advertising these counties.

Another electric railway line has begun operations at San Antonio. It is the Laurel Heights line. The cars are said to have worked very smoothly and successfully. Two more electric lines are in process of construction.

At a meeting of the committee of citizens appointed to inspect the great furnace and car wheel works at Jefferson the committee accepted the furnace as complete in all its details. It is the largest furnace west of the Mississippi river.

The new cotton compress at Dublin is nearly finished. It is a large, substantial structure, built of heavy timbers and will cover about 10,000 square feet of ground, not including the large platform, which will be 200 feet long and fifty feet wide.

Montague county's district high school of the Methodist Episcopal church has been located at Bowie. This will be a great thing for that city, the district comprising an area from the Red river to the west fork of the Trinity, 100 miles east and west.

The experimental acreage of cotton which was planted at the Camargo settlement, near Eagle Pass, has proven quite successful, though the total crop will not amount to more than twenty or thirty bales, the greater part of which is already gathered.

Stonemasons are passing ahead on the Washington hotel at Seymour, and are already well up with the work on the second story of the building. It will be one of the handsomest buildings in the state, and will be ready for business within the next ninety days.

Mrs. Minnie Nick, a German lady 62 years of age, fell from a pecan tree near Waco and broke her leg. The bone of the broken limb was thrust several inches into the ground, and unable to move, the old lady lay there two hours before she was discovered.

H. C. Angel of Weatherford recently stated to his wife that he would die, naming the night. He had his will written and all his business matters arranged, and when the time arrived he dressed in his best suit of clothing and lay down and died, as formerly predicted.

The contract for the new jail at Quanah has been let. The structure is to cost $6000, and is to be built of stone. The iron and steel cages in the old jail at Morgan will be used in the new one. The building is to have all modern improvements and will be completed by Feb. 1.

In the recent trial at Emory of Nettie Johnson, who, with her husband, murdered William Shumate, the jury brought in a verdict of not guilty. Though it is the general opinion that she was the prime mover in the atrocious murder, a majority of the people of that place approve the verdict.

Juan Ramariz has been arrested at San Antonio by detectives for an atrocious crime committed near Seguin. Ramariz was employed as a laborer on a farm. About two months ago, without any apparent cause he crushed the skull of a fellow workman, with a grubbing-hoe, and after hacking the body of his victim horribly with the sharp edge of the implement, he dug a hole in the field where the deed was committed, buried the body and then skipped out.

TESTS FOR TORPEDOES.

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Each Torpedo is Fired at a Submerged Target and Its Course and Behavior is Carefully Observed—It is a Very Dangerous Operation.

Among the weapons which are called upon to play an important part in modern warfare the torpedo stands in the foremost rank of interest, and yet very little is known of its peculiarities, especially of those of the German torpedo. Its greater danger does not lie in the fact that it is an engine of destruction, but in the power to direct it with fatal certainty. This is accomplished by treating the torpedo, to a certain extent, as if it were a living creature, its character and peculiarities being observed, and the results of these observations being recorded in a list of particulars, to which those in command refer when firing. Especial attention is paid to target shooting, and keeping a careful record of the results obtained; and besides this, the torpedoes just from the works are tested as to their mechanical correctness with a view to regulating them.

In our article of to-day, says Ueber Land und Meer, we treat a very important factor in the life of the torpedo—the practice ground, with all its interesting details. The celebrated firm of "Schwarzkopf," which, as is well known, supplies half the world with torpedoes, has two practice grounds of this kind, one in the harbor of Kiel, and the other near Venice. A third one, which was built on the same model at Yokohama, now belongs to the Japanese government.

A practice ground of this class consists of two parts connected by a railroad track, viz., the machine-house, which contains all the machinery necessary for the regulation of the torpedoes, and the shooting place proper. To this leads a bridge, which extends sufficiently far over the water to give the torpedo and the pinnace employed in the operation the required depth. At the head of the bridge is the trestle, the under part of which is arranged for the reception of the torpedo tube, while above, on the platform, is a little house for the engineers.

We will now follow the very interesting detail of firing, which is by no means as simple as the firing of guns. Let us begin by placing the target, which consists of a float about 25 meters long and 1½ meters wide, carrying a breastwork on the side toward the practice waters. The supports of the breastwork are 1 meter apart, and thus serve to measure the course of the torpedo in relation to the center of the target, which is marked by a stake carrying one of the usual round disks. On the float there is also a kind of sentry box for the protection of the target man or guard.

The preparations for firing consists, first, as we have said, in placing the target. The pinnace tows it about 400 meters into the bay, the correct position being obtained from the bridge by means of sextants, and then it is secured in place by four anchors carried out from the four corners by a boat. When the float is firm the torpedo is brought out of the shop along the bridge on a truck to the crane, by which it is swung out to the loading frame.

Here it is filled with compressed air. This operation, which can be detected at a distance by a peculiar singing sound, consists of forcing compressed air—by means of a pump located in the shed—into the torpedo through a small copper tube. The supply of air is regulated by a man at the manometer, while it is cut off by another man who stands by the torpedo. Then it is launched, pushed in front of the firing tube, and is finally raised and pushed into the tube, which is closed and lowered to a depth of two meters. The torpedo is now ready for firing.

The torpedo is propelled in part by the impulse given to it when fired from its gun and in part by the compressed air with which it is charged, which acts on the propeller at the rear of the torpedo.

The red flag, which means "clear the way," is now raised above the commander's shed on the bridge, and the man on the target and those on the pinnace which is lying on the starboard of the target, answer with their flags. As soon as the signal has been returned, the commands "ready," and then "go!" follow, and the torpedo is fired. With a roar that reminds us of the shrill, hoarse cry of a beast of prey, the monster shoots out of the tube, and its course is marked by a strange wake of foaming seething water, between the cross waves of which great bubbles of air come to the surface.

The man on the target has calculated the probable course of the projectile from the wake, and he keeps his eyes fixed in the depths, until suddenly he sees it rush by; then he pulls down the flag, and a hundred meters beyond the target the torpedo springs out of the water like a sea monster. The moment it passed the target the pinnace started in after it under a full head of steam, so as to catch it when it came to the surface. For this the greatest foresight is necessary, as the torpedo has to be handled carefully. The pinnace approaches it slowly, fastens a line to its head and then starts off to the target. Here the net is taken on board, which has been used in a manner presently to be described.

The target man determines the horizontal distance of the course of the projectile from the center of the target by means of the supports referred to above; but to find its depth several nets are secured below the target, the meshes of which are so arranged that the torpedo cannot pass through without breaking one of them. After the projectile has passed the target the man stationed there raises the net which has been struck and hands it over to the pinnace, which now returns with the net and the torpedo to the starting point, which must also be approached with great care, so that by skillful management the torpedo may receive the proper impulse to deliver it to the hands of the man waiting to receive it. After being brought back in this way from its sea voyage the torpedo is raised and prepared for another trial, while the net is given to the engineers, who spread it out and measure the broken meshes. Then the record is made and the operation is completed.

THE NATURAL WALL OF TEXAS.

A Freak of Nature that Never Has Been Satisfactorily Accounted For.

There is in the northern part of Texas, near the Bois d'Arc, or East Fork of Trinity, a freak of nature that has been the subject of much speculation ever since its discovery, over forty years ago. Extending in a northwest and southeasterly direction for several miles, is a perpendicular seam or wall of coarse limestone, composed of fragments, irregular in size, yet very similar in shape. The seam—or wall, as it is called—is about two feet in width everywhere it is seen, and the stones of which it is composed are distributed on top of one another, almost with the regularity of masonry—at least as well as many ancient builders constructed their walls. It is for the most part under the earth, but appears in hillsides and ravines, where the external forces of nature have worn away the soil, leaving the natural wall exposed. Old settlers say that some sections several hundred feet in length appeared as much as three feet in night when they first went there, and hence they named their first town Rockwall, which name is also borne by the county in which the wall is found. From the fact that no other stone was found in the immediate vicinity, these pioneers unanimously agreed that the wall was the work of some pre-historic people who inhabited the country; but as its mere resemblance to the work of man is all that supports this theory, it has long since been given up for the scientific explanation of its origin. The presence of quartz, lava and other conglomerate rocks of igneus origin, betrays the action of volcanic forces in its formation. Some mighty internal convulsion rent the earth's surface and left a long straight fissure, which was filled by the same agency with fragments of the underlying strata of limestone. In some portions where the wall was sufficiently compact, it has stood alone, while air and water have worn away the surrounding earth. Thus it is found at intervals, keeping one direction, straight as a surveyor's line, for about six miles, uniform in width, and always composed of stones resembling an elongated brick, some larger and others smaller.

Years ago, an inquiring well-digger sunk his spade beside the wall. He followed it down thirty feet, and found abundant water, but not the base of the wall. So we may concede the work to be a freak of the Fire Gods who in some past age, remote and dim, pushed up the wall from beneath, to serve as a model for future man.

An Anecdote of Sheridan.

While the United States was engaged in the great civil war, France and Austria took advantage of our comparatively helpless condition to attempt the conquest of Mexico, with a view to construct a new empire there under Maximilian. General Grant was strongly opposed to this policy, and after Appomattox sent Sheridan with an army to the lower Rio Grande to observe the movements of the foreigners and to be in readiness to intervene whenever congress gave permission.

An orderly woke the colonel soon after daylight one morning and urged him to go down to the bank of the river, as something remarkable was going on there. The colonel did so, and had the gratification of seeing a combat—it could hardly be called a battle—between the national troops, the adherents of Juarez, and the Mexicans who were serving under the banner o. Maxmillian and who were in possession of Matamoras. The object of the Juarez troops was, of course, to drive the enemy from Matamoras and hold the place, as, owing to its proximity to the United States forces, it was a very important point. Each side seemed to be fortified, and was engaged in a contest at long range, which was neither very exciting nor destructive. The next morning the orderly came again to wake the colonel, and assured him that he would see some genuine fighting. The colonel hurried down to the bank, and there he saw the Juarez men leave their entrenchments, advance with the utmost intrepidity, storm the works at Matamoras, and drive the adherents of Maxmillion through the town and far beyond out into the open country. Of course Sheridan could not send a force to the other side of the river without the authority of congress and the war department. That would have been an unheard-of proceeding. What he did do was to give one of his brigades a leave of absence, and that settled the question so far as Matamoras was concerned.—The Century.

How to Shave Easily.

A friend of mine a few months ago told me how to shave easily and painlessly, and I have never shaved in a barber shop since, says a writer in a St. Louis paper. The plan is to use oil or grease instead of soap to prepare the chin and soften the beard. Vaseline is the most convenient, and it should be rubbed in quite freely. Then with a keen razor shaving can be done quickly and without a suspicion of pain. At first I couldn't reconcile myself to doing without the orthodox lather and used soap after the vaseline had been applied. But the soap is really unnecessary, and shaving with oil or vaseline is cleaner, as well as pleasanter, and what is more to the point, there is no irritation whatever to the skin.

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EDITORIALS.

THURSDAY, OCT. 23, 1890.

The day of prejudice is fast fading away.

The man (according to a simon pure orator) whose neck gets too big for the party collar is ignorant and a political criminal. Well, why?

An independent man respects the rights of others; honors the laws of his country and guards the purity of the government. Then give us independent men who will not bow in submission to monopoly.

The Dallas Weekly News is offering prizes, consisting of school furniture and cash, to county school teacher and pupils who will answer the greatest number of questions in Texas history. Full information will be received by writing to A. H. Belo & Co., Dallas, Tex.

The Banner asserts that Greenville leads McKinney and several other towns in both wealth and population. McKinney is generally acknowledged to be the wealthiest town in the state and a comparison of the tax rolls would do ubtless make Greenville ashamed of itself.—Farmersville Times.

That's right, Bro. Vernon. In fact we believe that Greenville is already ashamed of itself.

Van Alstyne, Tex., Oct. 20.—John Kemp, while attending to the alliance gin two and one-half miles southeast of here this morning had his hand caught between the saw, cutting his hand and arm very badly. He was jerked against the stand and had several ugly gashes cut on his head and face. He came near bleeding to death and probably may not recover.

Senator Vance told the people in his speech at Raleigh that 150,000 men owned four-fifths of the wealth of the country with its 65,000,000 people! That is as bad as the situation of affairs in Ireland, about which there is always so much sympathy.—Public Ledger (Oxford, N. C.)

And yet, we are told, it is criminal to be independent enough to strive to save ourselves from such oligarchal state of affairs! Reader, be independent and fight for justice.

We see in the National Economist that "Liberty enlightening the world" has stepped off her pedestal, laid down her torch and with a shovel has gone to spanking politicians. To explain, we presume it means the farmers and laborers with that spirit of true American independence and freedom are determined to have a say so in governmental affairs.

The Enquirer asserts in its last issue that the DEMOCRAT of last week was loaded with blank cartridges. From the way it stirred up the old "war hoss" of the Enquirer from his reverie since Hare's defeat, we are of the opinion that when we do fire with a loaded cartridge it will excite him so that he will not be able to write an article on the subject, "John Johnson." Remember, that an "unloaded gun" sometimes goes off.

Figures Don't Lie.

In the Examiner week before last is an article under the above caption, in which figures concerning Judge Abernathy's administration are presented. We take this opportunity to repeat that while figures don't lie, yet they are sometimes handled in a very careless manner. The author of said article shows that Johnson spent $11,742.36 more for roads and bridges than Abernathy. In answer to the argument that the great washouts cost Johnson's administration a great deal the straights assert that Abernathy built more bridges than Johnson. These assertions might have some weight if the simon-pure democracy had not fooled the people before. During the defaulting days of the past in which our county lost many thousands of dollars, the people were informed time and again that the records were all right.

The farmers have decided that torch lights won't draw even boll worms much less independent men.

On (hic) wi (thic) pesseshun. Let (hic) joy be un (hic) confined (hic). Woop!

Reader, it is your privilege and duty to be independent where right demands it.

On with your torchlight procession; the knees of the independent voter fails to shake.

The Dallas fair is now in progress and thousands of visitors are attending the sights there.

Fort Worth is witnessing the "Fall of Pompeii," as represented there by fire works. Head Fort Worth, will you?

Beasts of burden wear yokes and collars. Shall men be slaves and wear collars of submission to grinding monopoly? No, never.

The Rockwall News came to us this week in a special edition. It is a dandy, and shows a "git-up-and-git," kind of business spirit.

The ballot box is the only safe-guard of American freedom. Protect it from the hand of the villain who would disturb its sanctity.

Every independent should go to the polls and vote on Tuesday the 4th of November next and thereby give the bosses a practical lesson in American politics.

Next Tuesday week the boys from the forks of the creek will have a grand rally. They will meet at the different voting boxes, each carrying the torch of intelligence—the ballot.

Bribery, bulldozing and boycotting will not have its usual effect. This is an off year, you know. The people are getting to be very independent.

But for the grand principles of individual freedom vouchsafed to America's sons, this government would be a hotbed of lords and dukes, and the masses perfect slaves, in every sense of the word.

If it is right to wear the yoke of oppression, it might be some consolation to the discontented Irish people, if some self-constituted dictators in this country would cross the wide, wide sea and urge the people of the Emerald Ilse to humble submit to tyrrany; that it's "criminal" to be an independent man. But as for this country, the people treat such language with disdain, and we believe the love of liberty—political liberty—which palpitates in the breast of patriots, will scorn such monopolistic utterances. American freedom does not suit the ideas of some people. But then they must learn these grand principles before they can accept and appreciate and defend them.

Clay Mack is to write an article in this week's Enquirer in which he proposes to give a history of Capt. Johnson. We suggest he sends his artitle to the Texas Cartoon and have it electrotyped. It would save the printers trouble from setting it up a dozen times at each campaign. Besides the local papers of the opposition, by dropping off Mack's name, could use it "between meals" as a "brilliant editorial."

Communicated.

McKINNEY, Oct. 21, 1890.

Editor Democrat.

It was believed that if Mr Muse met with no opposition we would have a quiet election this year. I told my friends that we never would have peace unless we supported the so-called straight ticket from constable up. Muse showe what he thought of them by resigning his position as chairman of the executive committee of the pretended democracy of old Collin. Wolfe said the man who voted in the congressional primaries was bound to vote for all the nominees, but the people manifested their independence by not noticing Mr. Wolfe's proclamation. They pretended to favor Hare then turned around and knifed him by not hearing him speak. Every honest man in the district is bound to acknowledge that Hare made a true member of congress. In fact he was the only member who showed up the silver bill in its true colors; that it was a fraud and never passed and had swindled the people out of $500,005,000. Notwithstanding his good and impartial record he could not get a decent hearing in McKinney. Mr. Bailey is a young man of great ability and no doubt he will make his mark, but that don't justify the ring in abusing every candidate who is opposed to them.

Mr. Don A. Bliss is coming in for his share of slander from this ring. They are telling that he was in the asylum at one time and that he is not elligible to the office because they say he was not born in this country. I have a letter from Tom Brown stoutly denying the asylum report. Here it is.

SHERMAN, TEX., Oct. 16, 1890.

John Johnson, Sr., McKinney.

DEAR SIR:—Yours of 15th at hand and content noted. Mr. Bliss has been with me for near five years and I regard him as a good lawyer, well qualified for the place of district judge. If he were ever in an asylum or in a condition to require him to be there I never knew or heard of it. I wish to say that Mr. Bliss is my partner and Judge Muse is my particular friend. I regard them both as good lawyers and gentlemen. I was supporting Muse before Bliss announced as a candidate for judge. I told them both that I would not take any active part as between them. I was pledged to support Muse from which he very generously released me. I would do justice to both or either of them and I do not wish to have anything that I may say used to the detriment of either, but do not hesitate to do Mr. Bliss the justice to answer your questions. Both of the gentlemen are competent for the place and each of them is a gentleman of honor and integrity. Yours, truly,

T. J. BROWN.

Who could outside of the McKinney ring ever thought of such a slander? It seems that no man dares to come out for office without being slandered. Such a story is a hard lick for a man running for district judge.

Some think that owing to the fact that Mr. Muse lives in our county and is an honest and capable lawyer we should not oppose his election; that he will do justice to all parties. Does not every lawyer in McKinney in selecting a jury pick those who are in political sympathy with his client? Take for instance some of the greatest judges of the supreme court. It is thought with all their dignity and power they would not lean to party. I defy any one to show me a decision from that great tribunal whose author did not go with his party. In the celebrated Dred Scott case the democratic judges cast their decision with chief justice Tourney, one of the greatest judges within our history. The two Whig judges cast the decision with their party. The decision was in accord with the democratic party of that day. There are several other cases too numerous to mention. Official position does not change human nature.

The ringsters are trying to lay all blame on me when they know I never had anything to do with the farmers' convention which nominated a ticket in 1886. I was not with them when it was held and after it was over and before the ring held their convention the elder Abernathy, Judge Gray and Frank Hunn came to me and asked me if this thing could not be settled without an eight months canvass. I told them I was willing to do anything as far as I was concerned that was fair. I told them if Muse would give us a fair showing on the board of election I was willing to vote in a primary election.

When our executive committee went to them and offered them a fair proposition they refused to accept it in order that they could knife us like they did Jim Greer, Wm. Warden and Hogg. Little Gough says I lied about Greer getting 516 16 majority of the popular vote. I have the figures in Mr. Greer's own handwriting. Greer was beaten because he was a farmer and was for Hogg and the commission. They wanted such a lawyer as Finch who voted against the commission while in the legislature, Doggett who volunteered and was sent to Austin to lobby for the railroads, and such a man as Gough, who said in his circular that if the amendment carried he would favor the commission. As much as to say I am against it unless the dear people say yes. You can hear on all corners among the lawyers, "I am in favor of a commission, but not of the Hogg and Brown sort which is of the anarchist kind." I at one time stated that only one lawyer in McKinney could be found in favor of the commission. I left the statement open for correction, but was not called on.

Abernathy is stating that he ran the county on $10,000 less than Johnson did. Did Johnson appropriate that amount to the use of the county, or did he steal it? I was on his bond and I am ready to pay back to the county all that he stole. Does Judge Abernathy think that the people are ignorant? Does he not know that the commissioners' court makes all appropriations and that the ring was responsible for that?

Rollins is in favor of using our native oak. The county is paying $2 per hundred for pine lumber. Oak lumber can be bought for $2.25 to $2 50 per hundred and will last five times as long, and every farmer knows it. Besides by using oak a home market can be established for our own timber, and we can run the road and bridge fund with half the expense it now costs us.

The judge is still reading the so-called Younger certificate after Younger has produced a certificate which proves that they have falsified against him. The judge is very cheeky to use said certificate in the face of the facts against him. If Younger had made the certificates, one square against the other, neither can be accepted as true by reasonable men.

It seems like a man must meet political death to oppose this ring.

County script has been sold for 75 cents on the dollar. The amount registered against the county is unknown. Learning that they were going to be defeated they have resorted to the torchlight and whisky business. The Blue Ridge affair according to reports is too bad to be printed.

It is the duty of every voter to come forward on Nov. 4, and save the county from further bankruptcy and disgrace, if possible. JOHN JOHNSON.

Stop boasting how practical you are long enough to find out if you are not merely narrow.

Stop striving to earn your living by the sweat of race horses, lottery tickets or stock gambling.

Stop laying the unction to your soul that you can brush your hair so that the bald spot won't show.

Stop telling fresh stories whose point can only be apprehended by the aid of a double convex lens.

Stop informing your conscience that white lies or any kind of lies that shed off from blonde don't count.

Stop telling a busy man, "I know you're busy, so I'll only keep you a minute," as a prelude to an hour and a half's attempt to talk his arm off.

Stop casting the motes out of the eyes of relatives, friends and acquaintances until you are convinced that there are not beams enough in your own to start a lumber yard.—Greenville Herald

A young woman sent to a newspaper a poem entitled "I Cannot Make Him Smile." The editor ventured to express an opinion that she would have succeeded had she shown him the poem.—Exchange.

Believes In Freedom.

McKINNEY, Oct. 20, 1890.

Editor Democrat:

I became very much disgusted at some of the expressions used against independents at the straight democratic club last Monday night, as published in last week's DEMOCRAT. Mr. John Church, in saying that a man whose neck got too big for the party collar was ignorant, etc., surely does not understand the condition of his own native land. The Irish peasantry have for centuries worn the political and religious collar of British landlordism, and to-day the Emerald Ilse is struggling in agony to litt the yoke of political bondage, to be free and independent. The father of our country, in his farewell address, warned the people time and again against the evils emanating from partisan politics. We believe in organization, but not at the expense of individual independence; of American manhood. When a party becomes corrupt, one should not be compelled to sustain by his vote what he knows to be a wrong. It is much better to unshackle the brain and let its thoughts waft out upon the field of investigation and gather nectar from the sweetest and brightest flowers. Truly,

A MCKINNEYITE.

Figures Won't Lie.

October 19, 1890,

Editor Democrat:

I see from Examiner they say figures won't lie. That rule is good if a truthful man handles the figures, but when Judge Abernathy tells one tale in his speech and Editor Wilson tells another, we people up about Blue Ridge would like to know the truth of things. I am as good a democrat as ever lived in Collin county and Abernathy and Wilson are too young and green to learn me anything about democracy. I have heretofore been a straight, but will vote as I please this time and I will be very much pleased to vote for Todd Warden and Henry Rollins, for I tell you now with Sheriff Warden and Judge Rollins we would be all right. Judge Abernathy was called on up here to tell what his office paid, and like Wolfe, he said, "I never kept count, but not over $750 a year." Well, now, judge, if that is a fact, why could you not keep it, when you knew Wolfe said $500 or $700 and Johnson said $2000 or $2500? How easily you could have settled this matter. But the Examiner gives you away, judge. It says you tried 570 cases. Don't you get $3 a case? That is $1710. Now don't you get $3 a day for holding commissioners court? Don't you get $3 for every lunacy case? Don't you get something for probating wills and writing up estates? I understand the more work a man does in that office the more money he will make. The Examiner says you have done so much more than Johnson trying cases. If you have beat him that bad in your probate court you will be running this thing up to where Merrill Johnson said it went. We catch Mr. Examiner out on $1710 and he knows Mr. Abernathy has done $1000 worth of other business which is $2710, and he took $600 ex-officio,—$1200—making in all $3910. I believe Merrill Johnson told the truth when he said a man would make $2000 or $2500 out of it. Where is Judges Wolfe and Abernathy's $700 a year business? Figures won't lie.

STRAIGHT DEMOCRAT.

Editor—I've brought this vest back. It's too small.

Tailor—Well, I can fix that easily enough by letting in a V. Where shall you prefer to have it put in?

Editor—What, the V?

Tailor—Yes.

Editor—For Heaven's sake, put it in the pocket. That's where I need it most.—Brooklyn Life.

An Arizona editor placed a ballot box at his office and called upon the people to come forward and decide by popular vote who was the most infernal liar in the camp. The ballots were counted in the presence of a great crowd, and the editor was elected by a majority that paralyzed him. This set him to thinking real hard.—Ex.

It is a good wind that blows nobody ill, except the red-lemonade man.

From Don A. Bliss.

To the people of Collin County:

It was so I announced when I announced, the people have been so busy and latterly the weather has been so bad, that I have been unable to make a thorough canvass of your county, as I desired to do. Sickness in my family compels me to cancel such appointments as I have already made.

But I assure you that my failure to meet you all has been due to no unwillingness nor lack of anxiety on my part to do so. Circumstances have simply been against me.

Though a discussion of my own merits, if I have any, would be in bad taste, surely it will not be considered amiss for me to call your attention to a few facts in order that you may investigate me; and I do so in the hope that some of you after such investigation may think of me kindly.

I am a native of Mississippi and was raised by my grandmother, who resided in Carroll county. I am a graduate of King college in Bristol, Tenn. My grandmother having died, I came to Texas in 1873, when eighteen years of age and located in the northeast part of Collin county where I farmed and taught school for several years. I then married a daughter of B. W. Hampton.

After removing to Grayson county, I was connected with the VanAlstyne Collegiate Institute as one of its principals for quite a number of years studying law during the time. I attended the Law Department of the State University for a term. I then formed a connection with Capt. T. J. Brown, of Sherman, with whom I have been associated in the practice of law ever since.

I fully realize that my distinguished opponent's being well-known to you and my being comparatively unknown to you puts me at a disadvantage. Having married early in life with little means, the cares of a family have compelled me to lead a very retired and busy life. I have never before offered myself for an office though my friends did make me an alderman of the city of Sherman. My opponent has often been honored by you with high positions of public trust. He is now backed by men of great influence.

May I not hope that many of you who like myself have been compelled to travel in the humble walks of life will espouse my cause.

At least I hope that you will not deem it presumptuous in me to aspire to be the District Judge of the county to which I came eighteen years ago a friendless boy.

Respectfully,

DON, A. BLISS.

There always hangs upon the outskirt of every reputable profession a class of men who obtained membership and constantly discredited their honorable and high-minded brethren by wrong-doing of one kind or another. During the past week the clergymen of the United States have been singularly unfortunate in this respect. A member of the cloth, formerly of Oswego, who left his family sometime since, with the promise of a speedy return, has proven to be a bigamist; a clergyman in the west is reported to have eloped with and perhaps married a woman while he had a wife living, and another westerner is in quod on a charge of forgery. All of which will be assumed by the thoughtless as an argument against the purity and honesty of clergymen, as a class, but is, in reality, nothing of the kind.—Greenville Herald.

John P. Hunter writes from Sister Grove that he saw about fifteen of the torchlighters returning frow the Blue Ridge blowout on Sunday morning about 10 o'clock, going toward McKinney. They only had six lights, having lost some of them on the road; that they appeared to be heavily loaded; that the straights cannot get votes in that part of the county that will do them any good; that the independents will be at the polls on the fourth of November sure. That Clay Mack, Wolfe and all their delegates cannot keep them from voting for who they please; that they intend to vote without being held by the collar by clicks and clans.

Oak Cliff has divided her politics into "blocks of five" and "lilly whites."

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We are authorized to announce J. B. WRIGHT as a candidate for State Senator for the district composed of Denton and Collin counties at the coming November election.

We are authorized to announce R. D. ALLISON as a candidate for re-election to the office of representative to the lower house of the state legislature.

We are authorized to announce D. C. GEE of Mustang, Denton county, as a candidate for floater from Collin and Denton counties.

We are authorized to announce the name of P. B. MUSE as a candidate for District Judge of the Fifteenth Judicial District at the November election.

We are authorized to announce DON BLISS of Sherman as a candidate for Judge of the Fifteenth Judicial District at the coming November election.

We are authorized to announce ESQ. M. ROLLINS of Farmersville as a candidate for the office of County Judge of Collin county at the coming November election.

We are authorized to announce W. M. BRUMMETT as a candidate for Tax Collecter of Collin County at the coming November election.

We are authorized to announce W. M. BARRON as a candidate for County Treasurer. election next November.

We are authorized to announce J. E. MATEMAN as a candidate for Assessor of Collin County at the coming November election.

We are authorized to announce the name of C. T. WARDEN as a candidate for sheriff of Collin county, election next November.

We are authorized to announce G. W. GUYER as a candidate for Superintendent of Public Instruction for Collin county, election November 4.

We are authorized to announce the name of J. T. ANDREWS as a candidate for Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 1, at the ensuing November election.

We are authorized to announce JOHN Y. BOWEN as a candidate for commissioner of precinct No. 2.

We are authorized to announce the name of G. H. HERNDON as an independent democratic candidate for constable of precinct No. 1, election next November.

LOCAL NEWS.

Sidewalks in several places are in a bad condition.

For bargains in saddles and harness call on McKinney & Wood, next to J. P. Dowell's on East Louisiana street.

Build hitching racks for the visitors' stock.

Dr. Thurmond's Lone Star Blood Syrup cured me of rheumatism, constipation and indigestion of fifteen years standing. LOUIS LESTERJETT.
Dallas, Texas

A freight car was wrecked last Sunday just north of the depot.

After many years' suffering with catarrh of the head and kidneys two bottles of Dr. Thurmond's Lone Star Catarrh Cure produced most beneficial results REV. WM. J. BASSETT.
Gainesville, Texas.

Wesley Goodin and Glen Stiff were in Sherman last Sunday.

Sugar Chill Cure is a sure cure for chills and is as sweet as sugar, guaranteed not to contain poison of any kind. No cure no pay.

The "old war horse," Col. R. D. Allison, is putting in some pretty hard licks on the boys.

McKinney & Wood have opened up a large saddle and harness house in McKinney.

James A. Smith, the wide-awake merchant of Vineland, was in to see us last Friday.

Don't fail to get Sugar Chill Cure. A sure cure for chills and fever, dumb ague, etc. Sold on a guarantee. Children cry for it.

H. C. Mack urges the boys to swallow the "simon-pure" ticket without a scratch.

A lady, the wife of a prominent merchant in Corsicana, Texas, says: I have been a long sufferer from female diseases, constipation and indigestion, Dr. Thurmond's Lone Star Blood Syrup cured me."

Rev. B. Hatcher and wife returned last week from the Baptist State convention which met at Waxahachie.

Quinine impairs the hearing, destroys the nerves and injures the digestion. Cheatham's Tasteless Chill Tonic is pleasant to take, leaves no unpleasant taste, improves the digestion and builds up the entire system. No cure no pay.

Jonah Varner is in the city on a visit. He is now engaged in guarding convicts in Central Texas.

Mrs. Fannie Johnson has secured the services of a competent trimmer from St. Louis and invites her friends and customers to call and see specimens of her work.

Walter Williams of Weston was in the city Monday and left Tuesday morning for Dallas, to take in the fair.

Children Enjoy

The pleasant flavor, gentle action and soothing effects of Syrup of Figs, when in need of a laxative and if the father or mother be costive or bilious the most gratifying results follow its use, so that it is the best family remedy known and every family should have a bottle.

☞ New goods every day at the Nickel store.

Mr. Clint Thompson and lady made a visit to Denton county last Sunday;

We have received hundreds of testimonials as to the efficacy of Hunt's Cure in cases of skin diseases, and truly believe it the best remedy known for Ringworm, Tetter, Eczema and similar diseases. Guaranteed. 50cents per box

Mr. Jno. Cook's little child died last Monday night. The DEMOCRAT extends sympathy.

☞ Farmers, call at the Nickel store when in town.

The colored population is tripping the light fantastic toe almost every night at the "hotel" down the street.

Those unhappy persons who suffer from nervousness and dyspepsia should use Carter's Little Liver Pills, which are made expressly for sleepless, nervous, dyspeptic sufferers. Price 25 cents.

On with your torch light, while the boys from the forks of the creek hold high the banner of freedom—the banner of independence.

If you are tired taking the large old-fashioned griping pills, try Carter's Little Liver Pills. One a dose. Small price. Small dose. Small pill.

Dr. Caldwell has bought himself a new hat. It might also interest the public to state that he has recently become the proud father of a fine ten-pound boy.

If you once try Carter's Little Liver Pills for sick headache, biliousness or constipation, you will never be without them. They are purely vegetable, small and easy to take. Don't forget this.

The torch of progress is very much unlike the torch which the average "straight" carries; in fact, he makes very little progress owing to the peculiar condition of his surroundings and the quality of his oil.

In Cheatham's Tasteless Chill Tonic will be found a sweet without its bitter. Pleasant to the taste, without a parallel as a remedy for chills and fever. It is the production of the well known A. B. Richards Med. Co. of Sherman, Tex. and guaranteed to cure.

Little Walter Albright, returning home with a can of coal oil last Friday, was attacked by a cow an knocked sprawling upon the ground. Some kind passer-by ran the cow away, probably saving the little fellow from serious injury.

If people would take the advice of Bristol Bros., the druggist they would never start on a journey without a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa remedy. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant to take.

A dwelling house belonging to Jesse Shain caught fire last Sunday morning at 3 o'clock. It burned to the ground before aid could be obtained. The house stood just north of the square and was vacant. The burning is supposed to be the work of an incendiary.

We want every mother to know that croup can be prevented. True croup never appears without a warning. The first symptom is hoarseness; then the child appears to have taken cold or a cold may have accompanied the hoarseness from the start. After that a peculiar rough cough is developed, which is followed by croup. The time to act is when the child first becomes hoarse; a few doses of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will prevent the attack. Even after the rough cough has appeared, the disease may be prevented by using this remedy as directed. For sale by Bristel Bros.

E. W. Kirkpatrick returned from the gulf this week, bringing with him some fine pears. He left one at this office which measured 12 1 4 inches.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for cuts, bruisks sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chiidblains, corns and all skin eruptions and Positively cures Piles, or no money. Required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satifacis tion, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box.
For Sale By E N McAULAY and Bro

Mr. C. B. Jones, of Spring Hill, Iowa, says: "I have used Chamberlain's Pain Balm for severe and painful burns with better effect than anything else I have ever tried. It relieves the pain instantly and cures without leaving a scar." Pain Balm is one of the most useful medicines that any family can be provided with, especially for rheumatism, lame back, sprains bruises, tooth-ache, ear-ache and like ailments. One application will relieve the pain and a fair trial insure a cure. 50c bottles for sale by Bristol Bros.

Ladies and Gentlemen.

We have opened a new department and are prepared to show an elegant line of Wedding dresses and hats to match, also a complete line of gent's outfits. Give us a call and we will give you low prices.

Respectfully,
M ARON.

☞ Go to the Nickel store for notions of all kinds.

The Blue Ridge Blow-Out.

Last Saturday evening the managers of the torchlight procession of McKinney hustled around in a most vigorous manner to muster a crowd for the Blue Ridge blowout. After the procession had circled around the court house and was leaving at the northeast corner of the square several persons, including a DEMOCRAT reporter, counted them. There were 65 in line, about fifteen of whom returned after they had gone out a little way. It was not grand, but gloomy and peculiar. At night in Blue Ridge there were two hundred and twenty-five in line, and sixty five of these were boys. It was a complete success—for the independents.

There were several fights, indeed, we learn that seven fights were in progress at one time. Three prominent men, of Blue Ridge community, who have heretofore supported the nominated ticket, refused to aid in the procession, saying that inasmuch as that the uncalled-for excitement was gotten up for the purpose of defeating Todd Warden, who the straights concluded was the strongest independent candidate, they proposed to work against the bosses like blazes.

It is said that a Phillips man rode up and hearing loud cheers for Todd Warden, wanted to know if he actually made a mistake and came to a Todd Warden meeting.

Two years ago the boys cut a big swell with their torches, but this is an off year, you know. On with the torches!

Remarkable Rescue.

Mrs. Michael Curtain, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement that she caught cold, which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggerted Dr King's New Discovery for Consumption; she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefited from first dose. She continued its use and after taking ten bottles, found herself sound and well, now does her own housework and is as well as she ever was.—Free trial bottle of this Great Discovery at E. N. McAuley's drug store, large bottles 50c, and $1.00.

Alliance Speaking.

NEVADA, Sept. 13, 1890.

I will deliver public and private lectures the following times and places, at half-past seven o'clock p. m.

Willow Springs, Friday, Oct. 17.

Chambers school house, Friday, Oct. 24.

Cottage Hill, Saturday, Oct. 25.

I will deliver public and private lectures at the above places as published and will organize alliances where requested. I invite ladies and gentlemen to hear me as I propose to show that the alliance is not antagonistic to any honorable avocation.

C. A. MCMEANS,
Organizer.

Ardinger, Rose Co.

We are authorized to make the following announcement for Ardinger-Rose Co., clothiers and furnishers, 738 and 740 Elm st., Dallas, Texas. Anyone visiting the Dallas Fair from any city or town not over fifty miles distant from Dallas and buying a suit of clothes, furnishings, hats, etc., from Ardinger-Rose Co. to the amount of $10 will have their railroad fare paid by them to, and from Dallas, commencing on Oct. 18 and ending on November 2, 1890. Anyone visiting the fair from any city or town at a distance of over 50 miles from Dallas and purchasing as above will have a part of their railroad fare paid by them to the amount of $1 50. Ardinger-Rose Co. is strictly a one price house and everything is marked in plain figures, consequently no one can claim that the price of the ticket is made up on the price of the goods. This is a legitimate offer and the object of it is to bring as many visitors to the Dallas fair as possible and to give them an opportunity of seeing one of the largest clothing establishments in Texas, also their beautiful exhibit at the fair. After your purchase is made show your ticket and the price of it will be deducted from the amount of your purchase. This is a great and liberal offer on the part of Ardinger Rose Co. and a house of that kind deserves the patronage of the people and a great many will undoubtedly avail themselves of this opportunity and trade with a first class and one price house and have their railroad fare paid to and from Dallas.

Weston Locals.

WESTON, TEX., Oct. 12, 1890.
Editor Democrat:

Prof Fowler, the phrenologist, was in our midst last week.

An interesting and entertaining social party met at Mr. Frank Patterson's Friday night.

Mr. Wm. Savage of Vernon was in our hamlet last week shaking hands with his many friends.

Prof. Jones is teaching an extra large music class here.

Uncle Bright Anderson, who has been visiting up at Howe, returned home this week.

James Evans who has been over at Van Alstyne with his brother, returned home Friday.

"WHISKERS.

WESTON, Oct. 20, 1890.

Frank Turner, formerly of Weston but now of Vernon, was in our midst Saturday shaking hands with his many friends.

Don A. Bliss of Sherman was in our city last Wednesday night and delivered a fine speech.

The Cross Roads singing class gave a fine discourse of music Sunday evening, led by Prof. Jones.

Mrs. Bowie and her son, Wade, of Claude, Tex., are visiting her parents here.

The gins of Weston are still running in full blast. Nearly 1500 bales of cotton have already been pressed.

Weston presents the appearance of a booming town. Every body busy, and the whirl goes on. WHISKERS.

Preston's "Hed-Ake"

Judge J. H. McLeary, ex-Att'y Gen'l of Texas and Past Grand Master of Masons, says: "It (Hed-Ake) is the best medicine for headache I ever saw." Cures any headache. For sale all druggists, 50c.

A torchlight enthusiast approached a gentleman who lives northeast of McKinney and asked him to carry a torch at Blue Ridge, stating that in view of the fact that the people over there were talking too much of voting for Todd Warden, they thought it best to hold a rally at that point. The gentlemen approached, quickly informed him that he was not going into the business of trying to "break Todd Warden's backbone;" that Todd was a gentleman and would make a fearless and an impartial officer.

Fine Dentistry Fine.

Dr. E. C. Chambers of Dallas will be in McKinney until Oct. 30. Single set of teeth $8.00, gold fillings, $1.00, gold and porcelain crowns, $2.50 to $5.00. Other work in proportion, and all guaranteed.

Happy Hoolsers.

Wm. Timmons, postmaster of Idaville, Ind., writes: "Electric Bitters has done more for me than all other medicine combined, for that bad feeling arising from Kidney and Liver trouble." John Leslie, farmer and stockman of same place, says: "Find Electric Bitters to be the best Kidney and Liver medicine, made me feel like a new man." J. W. Gardner, hardware merchant, same town says: Electric Bitters is just the thing for a man who is all run down and don't care whether he lives or dies; he found new strength, good appetite and felt just like he had a new lease on life. Only 50c, a bottle, at E. N. McAuley's drug store.

Wiseman—Dry Goods.
Wiseman—dress goods.
Wiseman—west Louisiana street; dry goods.

New Saddle and Harness House.

McKinney & Wood have opened up a large saddle and harness house on East Louisiana street. Their goods are new and of the best quality and they propose to sell the same cheap. Call and examine their stock.

Wiseman—hats, boots and shoes.
Wiseman—blankets.
Wiseman—dry goods and clothing.

Peach Seed Wanted.

Good sound peach seed, new or old, at one dollar per bushel delivered.

E. W. KIRKPATRICK.
McKinney Texas.

☞ Well! Well! Have you been to the Nickel store lately?

Smith Bros.

Keep on hand fresh drugs, patent medicines of all kinds Also toilet articles of any description; in fact, everything in the drug line. Call and see them, east side of the square.

Wiseman blankets, trunks, hats, hats, hats.

From J. H. Mack.

We received a lengthy letter from the above gentleman yesterday which came too late to publish in full. Mr. Mack continues to handle the so-called straights without gloves. He tells about two of their candidates going through the country the other day getting up a force for the torchlight procession and how full they were of the "how come-you-so." He tells how H. C. Mack (his brother) engaged him two years ago to count the two processions that were had on Saturday night before the election at McKinney He (J. H. Mack) reported about the same number for each side, but the bosses would not accept his figures. They fairly snorted and ranted stating that they knew that they had three to one. Jim also states that he saw in the Enquirer that H. C. Mack is to write up Capt. Johnson in next week's issue; that while H. C. Mack is trying to besmirch the character of the Johnson stock the latter is still rising in the estimation of the people. He (J. H. Mack) says that two men are publicly talking about a couple of letters that he wrote to them some six weeks ago from Bowie; that he will give them $5 each to have them published, or he will give any newspaper in the county ten cents a line to publish them; that he wants these talking gentlemen to "put up or shut up."

The straights have been howling about "peace and harmony," but Mr. Mack is fast exposing their disreputable methods of two years ago.

Preston's "Hed-Ake."

Hon. W. H. Crain, member of Congress from Texas, writes: "It affords me pleasure to add my testimony to that of hundreds who have experienced relief by the use of your wonderful "Hed-Ake." Cures in fifteen minutes. For sale all druggists, 50c.

For Rent or Sale.

I offer my two-story brick business house either for rent or sale; lower story is being used for millinery business, upper story well arranged for a family, or nice business offices; good water and elevator for convenience of building For terms, apply to

MRS. FANNIE JOHNSON,
McKinney, Collin Co., Tex.

Public Speaking.

W. R. Lamb of Bowie, Montague county, Texas, candidate for congress from the Fifth congressional district of Texas, will speak at the court house, McKinney, Tex., Friday Oct. 24, at 8 o'clock p. m., on the sub-treasury system. Everybody specially invited to attend, (the ladies particularly), as nothing but the most chaste language will be used.

Mrs. Earley died last Monday night at the residence of Mrs. Wakefield. Mrs. Earley came to this city from Lebanon to be treated for a tumor of the stomach. The operation was performed Monday evening when the tumor was removed. It was very large, and it is thought it will weigh forty pounds. Mrs. Earley was unable to rally from the effects of the operation and was only relieved by death.

ONE ENJOYS

Both the method and results when Syrup of Figs is taken; it is pleasant and refreshing to the taste, and acts gently yet promptly on the Kidneys, Liver and Bowels, cleanses the system effectually, dispels colds, headaches and fevers and cures habitual constipation. Syrup of Figs is the only remedy of its kind ever produced, pleasing to the taste and acceptable to the stomach, prompt in its action and truly beneficial in its effects, prepared only from the most healthy and agreeable substances, its many excellent qualities commend it to all and have made it the most popular remedy known.

Syrup of Figs is for sale in 50c and $1 bottles by all leading druggists. Any reliable druggist who may not have it on hand will procure it promptly for any one who wishes to try it. Do not accept any substitute.

CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO.
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.
LOUISVILLE, KY. NEW YORK, N.Y.

Orange Blossoms.

J. J. Renois and Mattie Griffin were united in the holy bonds of matrimony at the Methodist church on Wednesday night the 15th instant Both parties live in McKinney and are highly respected by all who know them. The DEMOCRAT wishes for them a successful and pleasant voyage across the ocean of life—trusting that they will land in the harbor beyond where hearts united will bask in the sunshine of eternal love.

How's This?

We offer one hundred dollars reward for any case of catarrh that cannot be cured by taking Hall's Catarrh Cure.
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, Ohio.

We, the undersigned, having known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligations made by their firm.
West & Truax, wholesale druggists, Toledo, Ohio.
Walding, Kinnan & Marvin, wholesale druggists, Toledo, Ohio.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price, 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

Marriage Bells.

The following marriage licenses were issued by County Clerk Keen since our last report:

J. R. Rike and Tabbie Howard, J. J. Renois and Mattie Griffin, Grant Stiner and S. S. C. Knight, Wm. Lewis and Mattie Cox, W. D. Wiren and Emma Ralston, H. C. Bruce and Emma Jobe, J. L. Harper and Ida Boggess, W. C. Cook and Jeanette McBee, Joseph Smith and Elseen Kinder, T. L. Hood and Lurah B. Hugely.

W. B. Elkin of Bethany was in the city last Tuesday.

Wiseman Clothing. dry goods. trimmings. dress goods.

Mrs. Graham Albright, we are glad to state, is able to be up and stirring around.

Wiseman—Clothing.
Wiseman—boots and shoes.

Monday was a cloudy, rainy day, yet business was pretty good.

Wiseman—Carpets.
Wiseman—Dress goods.
Wiseman—Trunks.

We trust that our opponents will do the fair thing towards giving the independents an equal representation on the board of election.

Many Persons are broken down from overwork or household cares. Brown's Iron Bitters Rebuilds the system, aids digestion, removes excess of bile, and cures malaria. Get the genuine.

Mr. W. E. Young, who was employed at Gerrish's gin for a long time is now with the electric light works.

All we ask is a free ballot and a fair count.

There was preaching at all the churches last Sunday.

FOR DYSPEPSIA,
Indigestion, and Stomach disorders, use BROWN'S IRON BITTERS.
All dealers keep it. $1 per bottle. Genuine has trade-mark and crossed red lines on wrapper.

The DEMOCRAT will print 20-000 tickets each of the following:

Democratic.
Republican.
Prohibition.
Mixed.

We will charge $2.50 for each candidate's name, which will go on all the different tickets for that amount.

John Johnson, Jr., is handling cotton at the alliance cotton yard. We learn that the yard is receiving a good deal of cotton. Farmers, don't forget the boys at the alliance yard when you bring your cotton to McKinney.

W. M. Barron, the efficient candidate for county treasurer, was in the city Monday and gave us a pleasant visit. He informs us that he has been sick for a week, being unable to get about. We are glad, however, to see his genial face again, in comparative good health.

The County Alliance at White Rock last week was a huge success. The speakers made the welkin ring to the entire satisfaction of all present. Hurrah, for the Alliance!

If it is true that money goes where it will bring the highest rate of interest, it is evident from the vast sums of English money that is being loaned in this country that in the judgment of the financiers of England the people of the United States are using the dearest money of any other nation. Being the clearing-house of the world, and occupying a position to know of a certainty where the best paying investments can be made, the money owners of England have deliberately selected this country as the one whose people are suffering most from the power of money to oppress, and are compelled under the operation of the laws which they are supposed to make themselves, to pay a greater tribute, with less risk of failure in so doing, for the use of medium of exchange than any other people on earth. This is outside testimony that can not be successfully controverted. It is based on the experience and understanding of the shrewdest business men in the world, and ought to convince every one that something is wrong with the money supply of the country.—Economist.

A children's meeting convened at the Methodist church last Sunday afternoon, and was addressed by a traveling minister named Rev. Gill. He delivered a very nice lecture to the children. He presented several illustrations of what little boys and girls did for the good of men, by rebuking wrong-doing in their little, childish way.

Public Speaking.

We will address the public at the following times and places:

Lebanon, Saturday, Oct. 25.
Allen, Monday, Oct. 27.
Decatur, Tuesday, Oct. 28.
Wiley, Wednesday, Oct. 29
Copeville, Thursday, Oct. 30
Milwood, Friday, Oct. 31.
Nevada, Saturday, Nov. 1.
At night.

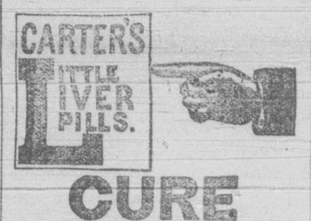
J. B. WRIGHT,
H. A. FINCH.

Snap Shots.

Dallas News.

The people of Dallas have found their missing link. It is an abundance of pure water. They have smote the everlasting rock with faith and a big auger. They are prepared to duck their enemies. The heart of the earth is the reservoir of Dalllas, and the midway sun is her flickering street lamp. She gathereth stars in her apron as golden plums, and beams of light are the ribbons of her adornment. Her name is of glory and her trail of flaming fire! She is shod all around with good luck and shoots snow birds with artillery!

Senor Bengochea, son-in-law of the late Gen. Barrundia, has come over to the United States to demand $100,000 on account of the death of the latter, which Son-in-law Bengochea charges to the United States minister. A son in-law has some rights. The United States has no right to deprive any poor young man of his father in-law. The father-in-law is the duck, which lays the golden egg; he is the sine qua nothing of his daughter's young man; he is the grand mountain of ice which supplies the rill which runs down and makes the artesian well at which his son-in-law gets water, while his shifty wife rustles for bread. Sons-in-law should organize. Let the battle cry be, "Bread and fun!"



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Headache, yet CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS are equally valuable in Constipation, curing and preventing this annoying complaint, while they also correct all disorders of the stomach, stimulate the liver and regulate the bowels. Even if they only cured

HEAD

Ache they would be almost priceless to those who suffer from this distressing complaint; but fortunately their goodness does not end here, and those who once try them will find these little pills valuable in so many ways that they will not be willing to do without them. But after all sick head

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CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS are very small and very easy to take. One or two pills make a dose. They are strictly vegetable and do not gripe or purge, but by their gentle action please all who use them. In vials at 25 cents; five for $1. Sold everywhere, or sent by mail

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Highest of all in Leavening Power.—U. S. Gov't Report, Aug. 17, 1889.

Royal Baking Powder
ABSOLUTELY PURE

Married, Oct. 16, at the home of bride's parents, Walnut Grove, Tex., William Lewis and Mattie Cox. The rites were performed by Rev. B. L. Hunter. A very sumptuous feast was enjoyed by many friends. Mr. Cox and his noble lady understand managing wedding feasts. Miss Mattie has won many friends during her residence here, and we are proud to know she will still reside among us.

By ONE PRESENT.

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Away with the bitter, nauseating nasty, sweet-tasting Chill Tonics. Use Cheatham's Tasteless Chill Tonic, as pleasant to the taste as rock candy syrup. The children cry for it, the mother won't live without it, and the servants slip it from the sideboard. It aids digestion, contains no Quinine, Arsenic or Strychnine, tones up the system, and is warranted. No cure no pay.

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Mme. A. Mar's Skin Bleach is positively superior to all others; is the latest and best ever offered for sale; not a cosmetic; does not show on the face; is a perfect skin tonic; guaranteed to remove the worst cases of Freckles, Liver Spots, Tan, Pimples, etc. (if used with my soap according to directions), or money refunded. $1 per bottle; 3 bottles, $2.75. Pure and harmless to the skin.

Mme. Mar's Hair Bleach is perfectly harmless to the hair or person using it. Can be taken in the mouth. It is so pure. One bottle sufficient to golden a dark suit of hair. Price, $1 per bottle.

Superfluous Hairs removed in a few minutes without pain or injury to the most delicate skin. Anyone can use it. $1 per bottle.

Hairy moles removed. All kinds of Scars or Birthmarks removed or reduced, and Blemishes of every kind upon the face treated with some success.

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N. B.—The discoverer and manufacturer of the Skin Bleach has been known to us for many years. She is a lady of the highest respectability, and her statements are entirely trustworthy.

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Pastor Warren Memorial Pres. Church,
E. L. POWELL,
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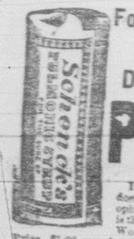

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CHAPTER VIII.

It is now "golden September," and a few days later. For the last fortnight Florence has been making strenuous efforts to leave the castle, but Dora would not hear of their departure, and Florence, feeling it will be selfish of her to cut short Dora's happy hours with her supposed lover, signs, and gives in, and sacrifices her own wishes on the altar of friendship.

It is five o'clock, and all the men, gun in hand, have been out since early dawn. Now they are coming straggling home, in one or twos. Amongst the first to return are Sir Adrian and his cousin Arthur Dynecourt, who, having met accidentally about a mile from home, have trudged the remainder of the way together.

On the previous night at dinner Miss Delmaine had spoken of a small gold bangle, a favorite of hers, she was greatly in the habit of wearing. She said she had lost it—when or where she could not tell; and she expressed herself as being very grieved for its loss, and had laughingly declared she would give any reward claimed by any one who should restore it to her. Two or three men had, on the instant, pledged themselves to devote their lives to the search; but Adrian had said nothing. Nevertheless, the bangle and reward had remained in his mind all that night and all to-day. Now he can not refrain from speaking about it to the man he considers his rival.

"Odd thing about Miss Delmaine's bangle," he remarks carelessly.

"Very odd. I dare say her maid has put it somewhere and forgotten it."

"Hardly. One would not put a bracelet anywhere but in a jewel-case or in a special drawer. She must have dropped it somewhere."

"I dare say; those Indian bangles are very liable to be rubbed off the wrist."

"But where? I have had the place searched high and low, and still no tidings of it can be found."

"There may have been since we left home this morning."

Just at this moment they come within full view of the old tower, and its strange rounded ivy-grown walls, and the little narrow holes in the sides they show at its highest point that indicate the position of the haunted chamber.

What is there at this moment in a mere glimpse of this old tower to make Arthur Dynecourt grow pale and to start so strangely? His eyes grow brighter, his lips tighten and grow hard.

"Do you remember," he says, turning to his cousin with all the air of one to whom a sudden inspiration has come, "that day when we visited the haunted chamber? Miss Delmaine accompanied us, did she not?"

"Yes"—looking at him expectantly.

"Could she have dropped it there?" asks Arthur lightly. "By Jove, it would be odd if she had—eh? Uncanny sort of place to drop one's trinkets."

"It is strange I didn't think of it before," responds Adrian, evidently struck by the suggestion. "Why, it must have been just about that time when she lost it. The more I think of it the more convinced I feel that it must be there."

"Nonsense, my dear fellow; don't jump at conclusions so hastily! It is highly improbable. I should say that she dropped it anywhere else in the world."

"Well, I'll go and see, at all events," declares Adrian, unconvinced.

It is some lingering remnant of grace, some vague human shrinking from the crime that has begun to form itself within his busy brain, that now induces Dynecourt to try to dissuade Sir Adrian from his declared intention to search the haunted chamber for the lost bangle? With all his eloquence he seeks to convince him that there the bangle could not have been left, but to no effect. His suggestion has taken firm root in Sir Adrian's mind, and at least, as he frankly says, though it may be useless to hunt for it in that uncanny chamber, it is worth a try. It may be there. This dim possibility drives him to his fate.

"Well, if you go alone and unprotected your blood be on your own head," says Dynecourt lightly, at last surrendering his position. "Remember, whatever happens, I advised you not to go!"

As Arthur finishes his speech a sinister smile overspreads his pale features, and a quick light, as evil as it is piercing comes to his eyes. But Sir Adrian sees nothing of this. He is looking at his home, as it stands grand and majestic in the red light of the dying sun. He is looking, too, at the old tower, and at the upper portion of it, where the haunted chamber stands, and where he can see the narrow holes that serve for windows. How little could a man imprisoned there see of the busy world without!

"Yes, I'll remember," he says jestingly. "When the ghosts of my ancestors claim me as their victim, and incarcerate me in some fiendish dungeon, I shall remember your words and your advice."

"You don't mean to go there, of course?" asks Arthur carelessly, whilst watching the other with eagle scrutiny. "It is quite a journey to that dismal place, and it will be useless."

"Well, if it distresses you, consider I haven't gone," says Sir Adrian lightly.

"That is right," rejoins Arthur, still with his keen eyes fixed upon his cousin. "I knew you would abandon that foolish intention. I certainly shall consider you haven't gone."

They are at the hall door as these words pass Arthur's lips, and there they separate, Sir Adrian leaving him with a smile, and going away up the large hall whistling gayly.

When he has turned one corner, Arthur goes quickly after him, not with the intention of overtaking him, but of keeping him in view. Stealthily he follows, as though fearful of being seen.

There is no servant within sight. No friend comes across Sir Adrian's path. All is silent. The old house seems wrapped in slumber. Above, the pretty guests in their dainty tea-gowns are sipping Bohea and prattling scandal; below, the domestics are occupied in their household affairs.

Arthur, watching carefully, sees Sir Adrian go quickly up the broad front staircase, after which he turns aside, and, as though filled with guilty fear, rushes through one passage or another, until he arrives in the corridor that belongs to the servant's quarters.

Coming to a certain door, he opens it, not without some difficulty, and, moving into the dark landing that lies beyond it, looks around. To any casual observer it might seem strange that some of the cobwebs in this apparently long-forgotten place have lately been brushed away, as by a figure ascending or descending the gloomy staircase. To Arthur these signs bring no surprise, which proves that he, perhaps, has the best right to know whose figure brushed them aside.

Hurrying up the stairs, after closing the door carefully and noiselessly behind him, he reaches, after considerable mountings of what seem to be interminable steps, the upper door he had opened on the day they had visited the haunted chamber, when Ringwood and he had had a passage-at-arms about his curiosity.

Now he stands breathing heavily outside this door, wrapped in the dismal darkness of the staircase, listening intently, as it were, for the coming of a footstep.

In the meantime, Sir Adrian, not dissuaded from his determination to search the tower for the missing bangle, runs gayly up the grand staircase, traverses the corridors and galleries, and finally comes to the first of the iron-bound doors. Opening it, he stands upon the landing that leads to the other door by means of the small stone staircase. Here he pauses.

Is it some vague shadowy sense of danger that makes him stand now as though hesitating? A quick shiver runs through his veins.

"How cold it is," he says to himself, "even on this hot day, up in this melancholy place!" Yet, he is quite unconscious of the ears that are listening for his lightest movement, of the wicked eyes that are watching him through a chink in the opposite door!

Now he steps forward again, and, mounting the last flight of stairs, opens the fatal door and looks into the room. Even now it occurs to him how unpleasant might be the consequences should the door close and the secret lock fasten him in against his will. He pushes the door well open, and holds it so, and then tries whether it can fall to again of its own accord, and so make a prisoner of him.

No; it stands quite open, immovable apparently, and so, convinced that he is safe enough, he commences his search. Then, swift as lightning, a form darts from its concealed position, rushes up to the stone staircase, stealthily creeping still nearer, glances into the room.

Sir Adrian's back is turned; he is stooping, looking in every corner for the missing prize. He sees nothing, hears nothing, though a treacherous form crouching on the threshold is making ready to seal his doom.

Arthur Dynecoart, putting forth his hand, which neither trembles nor falters on its deadly mission, silently lays hold of the door, and drawing it toward him the secret lock clicks sharply, and separates the victim from the world!

Stealthily even now—his evil deed accomplished—Arthur Dynecourt retreats down the stairs, and never indeed relaxes his speed until at length he stands panting, but relentless, in the servant's corridor again.

Remorse he knows not. But a certain sense of fear holds him irresolute, making his limbs tremble and bringing out cold dews upon his brow. His rival is safely secured, out of all harm's way as far as he is concerned. No human being saw him go to the ill-fated tower; no human voice heard him declare his intention of searching for the missing trinket. He—Arthur—had been careful before parting from him to express his settled belief that Sir Adrian would not go to the haunted chamber, and therefore he feels prepared to defend his case successfully, even should the baronet be lucky enough to find a deliverer.

Yet he is not quite easy in his mind. Fear of discovery, fear of Sir Adrian's displeasure, fear of the world, fear of the rope that already seems to dangle in red lines before his eyes render him the veriest coward that walks the earth. Shall he return and release his prisoner, and treat the whole thing as a joke, and so leave Adrian free to dispense his bounty at the castle, to entertain in his lavish fashion, to secure the woman upon whom he—Arthur—has set his heart for his bride?

No; a thousand times no! A few short days, and all will belong to Arthur Dynecourt. He will be "Sir Arthur" then, and the bride he covets will be unable to resist the temptation of a title, and the chance of being mistress of the stately old pile that will call him master. Let Sir Adrian die then in his distant garret alone, despairing, undiscoverable! For who would think of going to the haunted room in search of him? Who will even guess that any mission, however important, would lead him to it, without having mentioned it to some one? It is a grewsome spot, seldom visited and gladly forgotten; and, indeed, what possibly could there be in its bare walls and its bloodstained floors to attract any one? No; surely it is the last place to suspect any one would go to without a definite purpose; and what purpose could Sir Adrian have of going there?

So far Arthur feels himself safe. He turns away, and joins the women and the returned sportsmen in the upper drawing-room.

"Where is Dynecourt?" asks somebody later. Arthur, though he hears the question, does not even change color, but calmly, with a steady hand, gives Florence her tea.

"Yes; where is Sir Adrian?" asks Mrs. Talbot, glancing up at the speaker.

"He left us about an hour ago," Capt. Ringwood answers. "He said he'd prefer walking home, and he shoveled his birds into our cart, and left us without another word. He'll turn up presently, no doubt."

"Dear me, I hope nothing has happened to him," says Ethel Villiers, who is sitting in a window through which the rays of the evening sun are stealing, turning her auburn locks to threads of rich red gold.

"I hope not, I'm sure," interposes Arthur, quite feelingly. "It does seem odd he hasn't come in before this." Then, true to his determination to so arrange matters that, if discovery ensues upon his scheme, he may still find for himself a path out of his difficulties, he says quietly, "I met him about a mile from home, and walked here with him. We parted at the hall-door; I dare say he is in the library or the stables."

"Good gracious, why didn't you say so before?" exclaims old Lady FitzAlmont in a querulous tone." I quite began to believe the poor boy had blown out his brains through disappointed love, or something equally objectionable."

Both Dora and Florence color warmly at this. The old lady herself is free to speak as she thinks of Sir Adrian, having no designs upon him for Lady Gertrude, that young lady being engaged to a very distinguished and titled botanist, now hunting for ferns in the West Indies.

"Markham," says Mrs. Talbot to a footman who enters at this moment, "go to the library and tell Sir Adrian his tea is waiting for him."

"Yes, ma'am."

But presently Markham returns and Sir Adrian is not in the library.

"Then try the stables, try everywhere," says Dora somewhat impatiently.

Markham, having tried everywhere, brings back the same answer; Sir Adrian is apparently not to be found!

"Most extraordinary," remarks Lady FitzAlmont, fanning herself. "As a rule I have noticed that Adrian is most punctual. I do hope my first impression was not the right one, and that we shan't find him presently with his throat cut and wallowing in his blood on account of some silly young woman!"

"Dear mamma," interposes Lady Gertrude, laughing, "what a terrible old-fashioned surmise! No man nowadays kills himself for a false love; he only goes and gets another."

But, when the dinner-hour arrives, and no host presents himself to lead Lady FitzAlmont into dinner, a great fear falls upon the guests save one, and confusion and dismay, and anxious conjecture reign supreme.

[To be Continued.]

Getting Particles Out of the Eye.

A locomotive engineer tells the easiest way to get particles out of the eyes thus: "The greatest difficulty the young engineer has to contend against is in getting particles of sand and dust in his eyes. When I was firing I found this bad enough, but the engineer's eyes are more exposed than the fireman's as he has to lean out of the cab more frequently, so as to get a good view ahead. It is hard to say what a man should do when his eye has something in it. He cannot use his greasy hands to rub it, and even if he did it would not help him. After trying a variety of plans I was recommended to try and keep my eye open. I did so and do it yet. When you feel a particle of something in your eye just try and keep it open. The effort seems to force out the intruding particle and prevent irritation."

A Thief in Hard Luck.

At Chengkiatuan, Chins, while a thief was engaged in robbing a house during the absence of the family, the watchmen, hearing a noise, entered, but, failing to discover the intruder, proceeded to enjoy his pipe. He fell asleep and set fire to the building. The frightened thief was caught by the villagers as he essayed to escape, and, as many houses were consumed by the devouring flames, they proceeded to lynch him, as an incendiary caught in the act. He was bound hand and foot, saturted with oil, hurled into the burning mass, and speedily cremated, a victim to the blind fury of a Mongolian mob.

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Decline of Vitality of Fruit Trees.

Diseases and premature decay of fruit trees of almost any kind is fast becoming a matter of very serious import. This is mainly to be attributed to decline of vitality of the tree; and the results have increased to such an extent of late years that it is scarcely possible to find a healthy, vigorous orchard, or one of ten years standing, not more or less on the decline. New diseases or causes of them are on the increase, or old ones increasing in virulence and power to destroy, till the future prospects of fruit growing is extremely doubtful and discouraging. Each year the apple, peach, pear and indeed, almost all fruit kinds are attacked or threatened with some destructive cause, which requires all the skill and patience of the cultivator to cure or remedy even if at all successful against them.

Blight is, perhaps, the most prevalent trouble with trees. This is usually assigned to atmospheric causes, but by some it is assigned to a lack of some important element or elements in the soil, while others still, thinking it caused by microscopic insects. Yellows in peach trees, sun-scald, etc., no doubt have their rise from similar causes, and all of which are apparently increasing in power to destroy. Anyway there is no disputing the fact that diseases of whatever character tend to lessen the vitality and longevity of the trees, and that these causes are on the increase. Hence we find that fruit trees of the present day are shorter lived than those of a decade or so ago.

But it is not true that most, if not all of these causes, are only more injurious now, than formerly from the simple fact, that trees under modern methods of culture, have less vital force, and are less able to withstand their attacks? Taking it for granted that this is mainly the source whence arises the trouble with trees, then it must needs come from the manner of budding and grafting, the kind of soil planted in, and the method of pruning as these are the rudimentary means of building up a tree.

In the first place, then, none but strong, vigorous seedling stocks should be used upon which to graft or bud, and then the scions should not be put on until the stock is well developed, strong and vigorous. Some say not till the stock is seven or eight years old; but perhaps this is best only in special cases, in general it is not best as then taking off so much vigorous top to insert the scion causes a great shock to the stock and its roots, and is likely to expose the tree to disease. The top looped off, a large stock with widely spreading roots, and only a small scion or two set on, the larger part of the roots are deprived of their support from the foliage, and of course must receive a check that is likely to prove detrimental to the tree sooner or later. Hence we think young, vigorous stock are the best, and should be used.

Constructing Wind Breaks.

High winds are disastrous to crops and fruit trees, and the strong northerly breezes of winter, blowing directly upon exposed shrubs, trees and winter crops, commit a great amount of damage every year in all parts of the country. Nature protected her garden by surrounding it with forest trees, which are able to ward off the cold and winds. Farmers must imitate nature in this respect, and timber screens should be constructed on the north and west sides of every farm. A good wind break of trees will save an endless amount of trouble and damage. Even if the tempests are not strong enough to destroy the crops they are nearly always violent enough to beat the grass, corn and grain down so that it is difficult for it ever to raise its head again properly. A good wind break will sometimes make a difference of fifty per cent. in the value of a field of grain, grass or corn. This repeated every year for a quarter of a century would make an item such as would make any farmer open his eyes with astonishment. But better than all, wind breaks are invaluable to the fruit growers. The farther north we go the more important they become; but even in sunny Florida a screen of pine trees is considered a great protection to an orange or lemon grove. Orange land that is properly screened by trees brings a considerably higher sum than that which lays exposed to the free sweep of the northern winds. Peach trees can be raised successfully much farther north than many imagine, by protecting them properly from the cold winds of winter. They may not be injured during the bearing season, but the cold winds of winter freeze their roots, and so chill them they sometimes never recover.

Nature's Method of Distributing Seeds.

It is an interesting study, and one which will cultivate the powers of observation, to notice the different methods by which nature has provided for the distribution of seeds. The farmer wages a perpetual warfare with weeds, and he who understands the most about them is prepared to carry on the war are most successfully. Some plants scatter their seeds easily and quickly, and unless they are destroyed early, are sure to perpetuate their species. Some ripen seeds early and late like the morning glory, and others like the rag weed do not ripen until late in the season, and may be cut and raked up and burned after most of the seed is matured, without much of it scattering. We can class the different methods under the following heads: animal dispersed, wind dispersed, water dispersed, and self dispersed, and some plants employ more than one of these methods.

Limitations of Clover.

Praise of clover is all right, provided it is done with due regard to facts. Clover is not a specific for every animal, else it would be, like patent medicines, sometimes foolishly recommended for every disease. It is bulky in proportion to its nutriment, and hence except in small amounts, as a change is not adapted to feeding poultry or pigs which require a concentrated form of nutriment. Even for animals to which it is best adapted clover is most profitably fed with some admixture of grain.

Stock and Dairy Notes.

Horses that are not worked hard may be kept in excellent condition through the winter on good sound clover hay alone and without grain.

Cut hay with mixed grain, corn and oats in equal measures, ground as finely as possible is the best staple food for working horses the year round. Three horses can be fed in this way for the cost of two upon whole grain and long hay.

In all feeding, it is the food that is digested which affords the nutriment, and not the quantity eaten. In many cases more food is eaten than can be disposed of healthfully, and a double loss is incurred, food is wasted and the animal is weakened by disease.

Although corn is the staple grain food for horses, it is not the best by any means. Oats is the best grain, followed closely by barley; this latter grain is the staple food for the Arabian horses, that are unexcelled for fine bone, strength, rapidity and endurance.

A leading Vermont dairyman, president of the Dairymens' association of that state, reports that he has brought up his herd of forty cows to an average product of 300 pounds of butter per cow; and had he not wasted some years in using grade bulls instead of pure bred ones, he would have reached this result in far less time.

To keep a horse in good condition, constant care is to be exercised in keeping the skin clean and free from scurf and dust. If the pores of the skin are closed, a large quantity of waste matter is retained, which in effect is as unhealthful as if the bowels were closed, and the waste of the system in this way were retained and absorbed.

Hints to Housekeepers.

Soft white muslin window curtains look well tied back with broad white surah sash ribbon.

Melted butter is a good substitute for olive oil in salad dressing. Many prefer the butter to oil.

Grease spots may be taken out with weak ammonia in water; lay white paper over and iron with a hot iron.

A sour sponge may be thoroughly cleaned by rubbing a fresh lemon into it, then rinse several times in lukewarm water.

In using yolks of eggs, it must be remembered that a broken egg must be closely covered in the dish in which it is kept until desired for use.

An antique Indian slipper rich with needlework in gorgeous colors, with its curious curled-up toe, is a dainty wall pocket to hang at the side of the dressing table to receive combings.

Currants, berries and juicy fruits, having been washed, may be cooked without; then strain and boil the juice fifteen or twenty minutes before adding the sugar, and but little more boiling will be required.

There is no prettier material for a piano cover than a piece of antique brocade. In the case of the upright piano, now so universally used, a piano scarf or a wall hanging of embroidery is an ornamental addition.

The smoked and dusty globes of chandeliers may be nicely cleaned by soaking them in hot water, to which a little sal soda has been added. Then put some ammonia in hot water, immerse the globes and scrub briskly with a stiff brush. Rinse thoroughly and wipe dry.

In washing mirrors and the glass over pictures, wipe the frames and glass with a dry cloth, removing all the dust. Now dip a soft, clean cloth in hot water, and after wringing it, pour upon it a tablespoonful of alcohol. Wipe the glass with this cloth and rub with a dry piece until the surface shows a polish and is free from lint.

Did any one ever try putting up jelly in egg shells? It is so nice to turn the jelly out in a glass dish molded this way, especially for a small family, when they do not want to open a large glass. Open the eggs at the small end, just enough to get the substance out; wash the shell dry. For a holder for these shells take a pasteboard box or tin and cut holes in them to make the shells fit; then fasten in and fill. Shells can be saved a long while in advance of jelly making.

A physician, who is also an enthusiastic cyclist, believes that it would be better for young folks learning the wheel were postponed until the body approached maturity. The possible dangers resulting from too early riding would be "a derangement of the conformation of the framework of the body." As for instance, a kind of riding which has a tendency to throw the body forward in a bent position will in time produce a permanent stoop. Another tendency is to overdevelop the large muscles in the fore part of the thigh.

BEATS THE WORLD'S FAIR.

Armour's Hen Will Get More Than the Great Show Will Get.

The extent of a large packing house business is a mystery about which the average imagination is wont to run riot. Strangers visiting the Chicago stock yards carry away incredible tales of the number of pigs killed every month, and as these stories are repeated from month to month the impression is naturally spread that Chicago is mainly one vast pig-sticking establishment, where a porker walks in squealing and comes out in sausages. A few figures about the Armour packing house would seem to bear out this impression. The total area in ground and floors occupied by this establishment is 245 acres or nearly one and a half times the space of the great Paris exposition occupied. In this vast concern 7,000 people find employment and receive in wages upon it in the course of a year. In other words before the close of the world's fair they will have received a greater sum than the entire outlay for the buildings and other expenses connected with the exposition. The work of this great army during the year ending Oct. 1, 1890, resulted in the death of 1,145,000 hogs, 650,000 cattle and 350,000 sheep. To dispose of this product 1,800 refrigerator cars, which would make a train five miles long, are kept constantly in motion. Over and above the product thus distributed there is storage accommodation in the buildings for 150,000 tons of meats, and this capacity is sometimes pretty well crowded. Besides all 6,200,000 pounds of glue and 9,000 tons of fertilizer are produced at the works. The total distributive sales of the concern in one year, foot up to $65,000,000, or $1,250,000 a week, or $225,000 a day. Mr. Armour, who gives this vast business his personal attention, is a busy man.

Reciprocity.

They had a quarrel, and she sent
His letters back next day;
His ring and all his presents went
To him with no delay.
"Pray send to kisses back to me,"
He wrote, "Could you forget them?"
She answered speedily that he
Must come himself and get them.

Had Been Waiting Time.

"Hope, Mary," he said, gently, "the suddenness and intensity of my love will not come upon you like a shock. Possibly," he continued, and still more gently, and taking her hand with respectful tenderness, "you are not prepared for this avowal. The language of passion may be new to you. Am I the first man, my dear, timid little girl, to address you in this way?"

"No, Horace," she replied. "I have never spoken of my past life because there are portions of it full of pain and sadness. But I was beloved once by as good a man as the sun ever shone upon. He's dead now, but during the short year of our married life——"

"You are a widow, then, Mary?"

"Yes, Horace, I—why, Horace, dear."

For the young man had strained her to his heart with a force that took her breath away. He had been wasting valuable time.

A Stone Elephant.

Inyo county, California, has a wonderful natural formation in the shape of a monster stone elephant. The rock that has taken this remarkable form is of a dark gray granite, almost the exact color of the Asiatic elephant's skin. The resemblance is so close that the first gold seekers thought they had discovered a real petrified pachyderm.

Didn't Propose.

Tom—So you did not propose to that fair girl last night, as you intended to. Ah, my friend, I am afraid you were not fired by the divine spark of love.

Dick—No, I was fired by her father.—New York Weekly.

A Bad Break.

Summer Girl—Do you remember how we sat on the sand, after our sail, and the waves broke at our feet?

Last Victim (absently)—So was I.

Summer Girl—What!

Last Victim—Broke, at your feet.

The Way Made Clear.

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